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For: INSULATING AND FUNCTIONALIZING FINE METAL-CONTAINING PARTICLES
WITH CONFORMAL ULTRA-THIN FILMS

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING SENT BY FIRST CLASS MAIL On December 24, 2004 DATE OF DEPOSIT Gary C. Cohn PRINT OR TYPE NAME OF PERSON SIGNING CERTIFICATE SIGNATURE OF PERSON SIGNING CERTIFICATE
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Hon. Commissioner of Patents

Sir:

RESPONSE B

This paper is filed in response to the office action of October 20, 2004.

Claims 49-60 of the application stand rejected for obviousness type double patenting over U. S. Patent No. 6,713,177. A terminal disclaimer signed by the attorney of record was submitted previously, but the examiner considered it to be improper.

Accordingly, a new terminal disclaimer, executed by an authorized representative of the assignee of record, accompanies this response. The submission of the terminal disclaimer is believed to resolve all remaining issues in this case. A notice of allowance is respectfully requested.

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NOTE REGARDING THE TERMINAL DISCLAIMER FEE: As the terminal disclaimer fee was previously paid with the response filed on August 5, 2004, no additional fee is believed to be required.

Respectfully submitted,
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